



PATENT Customer Number 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 4329.2309-02000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re	Application of:)
Ichiro	MIZUSHIMA et al.) Group Art Unit: 2812
Seria	l No.: 10/655,022) Examiner: R. Pompey
Filed: September 5, 2003) Confirmation No.: 6041
Allowed: December 19, 2003)
For:	SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME))

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

Applicants are in receipt of the Supplemental Notice of Allowability dated May 28, 2004. Line 2 of the Supplemental Notice of Allowability indicates that claims 17 and 19-21 are allowed in this case. As stated in our Request for Corrected Notice of Allowability filed May 18, 2004, applicants can determine no reason for the cancellation of **claim 18**, and believe that it should be allowed.

Therefore, applicants respectfully request an explanation from the Examiner as to why claim 18 was cancelled and further request a corrected Supplemental Notice of Allowability should the Examiner determine that the cancellation of claim 18 is in error.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this request, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated:

By:_

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